

**SUPPLEMENTAL REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY  
THE INVENTOR**

Docket Number (Optional)  
1361040-2002.1

I hereby declare that:

Each inventor's residence, mailing address and citizenship are stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventors named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 5,845,885, granted 12/08/1998 and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled

UNIVERSALLY POSITIONABLE MOUNTING DEVICE

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on December 7, 2000 as reissue application number 09/733,691

January 14, 2002, August 20, 2002, November 19, 2002,  
May 25, 2004, December 20, 2004, March 29, 2006, April 17,  
2006, September 14, 2006, October 5, 2007, November 19,  
2009, and on even date with filing of this Supplemental

and was amended on Reissue Application Declaration  
(if applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

☐ I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b). Attached is form PTO/SB/02B (or equivalent) listing the foreign applications.

I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)

☐ by reason of a defective specification or drawing.

☒ by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.

☐ by reason of other errors.

At least one error upon which reissue is based is described below. If the reissue is a broadening reissue, such must be stated with an explanation as to the nature of the broadening:

An error being corrected by the present reissue application is that the patentee claimed less than he had a right to claim in U.S. Patent No. 5,845,885 because all of the issued claims of the patent are directed to a mounting device and, thus, the patent fails to include a claim directed to an interlocking ball and socket joint. The interlocking ball and socket joint is a subcombination of the previously claimed mounting device (which is a combination of parts including, among other elements, the currently claimed interlocking ball and socket joint). Accordingly, the patent claims are too narrow to fully protect the disclosed invention. For example, claim 50 of the present reissue application is directed to an interlocking ball and socket joint which includes a coupling member and a bifurcated arm assembly. Claim 50 is different from the issued patent claims, in part, because claim 50 recites a coupling member and does not recite a base. In contrast, each of the claims of U.S. Patent No. 5,845,885 recites a first coupling member and a base. Thus, this is a broadening reissue because claim 50 does not recite a base.

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All errors corrected in this reissue application, including any errors not covered by the prior declaration(s) submitted in this application, arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant.

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